

## **AFFINITY GROUPS & RESOURCES**

Note: Most mission statements below are abridged in the interest of space. You can find the full versions, as well as other groups/clubs of interests, on the Haverford Engage site.

## **AFFINITY GROUPS**

Alliance of Latin American Students (ALAS) The mission of the Alliance of Latin American Students (ALAS) is to create an intentional space where Latinx identifying students can comfortably share their experiences, find academic, social, and emotional support, and work with other Latinx students to achieve common goals. ALAS is committed to celebrating the vast diversity of cultures that are represented within the Latinx identity and we strive to make the spaces we create as open and inclusive as possible to ensure that all members of ALAS can grow, thrive, and feel supported by the organization. Contact(s): alas.haverford@gmail.com, Hasibe Caballero-Gomez '21 (hcaballero@haverford.edu), Luigie Febres '22 (lfebres@haverford.edu)

**Bi-Co Barkada** We are a community of Haverford College and Bryn Mawr students who explore the Filipino culture through monthly movie nights and food-related events. **Contact(s):** Alexandra Iglesia '21 (aiglesia@haverford.edu)

**Black Students' League (BSL)** Our goal is to promote awareness and cross-cultural understanding through breaking down inherent biases that students often confront in higher education through events, meetings, and celebrations of blackness. **Contact(s):** bsl.haverford@gmail.com, Darius Graham '22 (dgraham@haverford.edu), Ebony Graham '23 (eegraham@haverford.edu), Bilikisu Hanidu '23 (bhanidu@haverford.edu)

**Black x Brown** (**BxB**) The mission of Black x Brown, previously known as Sons of Africa, is to provide academic, social, and emotional support to masculine-identifying people of color in the hopes of fostering a strong drive for achieving personal and academic excellence. **Contact(s)**: bxb.haverford@gmail.com, Eyasu Shumie '21 (eshumie@haverford.edu), Brandon Pita '22 (bpita@haverford.edu)

*Ford's Firsts* Ford's Firsts is an organization meant for all first-generation and low-income college students to provide academic and social support among each other. We also support future first-generation students in the Philly area in their pursuit of going to college. *Contact(s):* Junior Nguyen '22 (jnguyen4@haverford.edu)

Global China Connection Global China Connection (GCC) We are devoted to creating opportunities for Chinese students and their international counterparts to socialize, learn, work and have fun together. We organize networking, pre-professional training and cultural events for our members in order to facilitate the robust building of both personal and professional relationships among and beyond the college. Contact(s): Jiachen Yi (jyi1@haverford.edu)

Haverford Asian Students Association (HASA) The mission of the Haverford Asian Student Association is to support students on campus who want to learn about and connect with Pan-Asian identities. We engage the Bi-College Consortium through various events, on and off campus to raise awareness of both present-day social issues and cultural traditions that exist within different Asian cultures. Through our group, we hope to create a tight-knit group of friends by embracing the differences and commonalities in the Asian identity. Contact(s): cyun@haverford.edu

*In Living Color* In Living Color will be a bi-monthly magazine highlighting issues for POC on campus and the surrounding area. *Contact(s):* Ayanna Madison '22 (amadison@haverford.edu), Erica Kaunang '22 (ekaunang@haverford.edu)

International Students Association Our goal is to provide a social and academic support network for the International Student community. We do this by organizing social, cultural and career events, in cooperation with the Director of ISSO, the OMA and some affinity groups on campus. Our goal is to embrace all the different backgrounds of Haverford students. Our frequent events give International Students a space where they can feel more at home in a foreign environment. Contact(s): haverford.isa@gmail.com, Loui Othman '21 (lothman@haverford.edu)

Japanese Culture Club (JCC) This club aims to bring Japanese culture into the Haverford community and provide spaces for anyone who feels attached to Japanese culture. Contact(s): Noelle Mahr '21 (nmahr@haverford.edu)

**Korean Culture Association (KCA)** KCA aims to bring together and support anyone who is involved or interested in Korean culture at Haverford College by celebrating Korean culture through public social events and by promoting representation through the intentional creation of a community presence with an invested appreciation of Korean and Korean-American culture and identity. **Contact(s):** hc.kca.21@gmail.com, Katie Chung '21 (kchung@haverford.edu)

Middle Eastern North African Club Our goal is to provide a social and cultural support network for students coming from the Middle East and North Africa region and for people interested in learning about this region. We plan on organizing social and cultural events, in cooperation with the CPGC and OMA, in order to achieve our goal. At these events students interested in this region can bond with one another, express themselves and learn about issues regarding the Middle East and regarding North Africa. Contact(s): haverfordmenaclub@gmail.com, Noha El Toukhy '22 (neltoukhy@Haverford.edu)

**Mixed Identity Alliance** Mixed Identity Alliance is an affinity group for those who feel uncomfortable in confining themselves to a singular identity. This club works to allow those who identify with multiple identities a space to address issues that have arisen in their interactions with others. This group will touch on identity concepts such as race, ethnicity, religion, spirituality, and other areas of social categorization. **Contact(s):** mixedidentity.haverford@gmail.com, Charith Wijeyesekera (cwijeyesek@haverford.edu)

Pan-Asian Resource Center (PARC) The Pan-Asian Resource Center (PARC) is a space where Pan-Asian students can discuss cultural, political aspects of identity and confront the divisions and differences among Asian communities on Haverford's campus. The phrase Pan-Asian involves all people who identify as "Asian", both international and Asian American. We especially extend welcome to Asian identities that have traditionally been excluded, such as South Asian, Southeast Asian, Middle Eastern descent, multiracial or multiethnic students, and adoptees. Contact(s): haverfordparc@gmail.com, Tien Vu (thvu@haverford.edu), Selina Adelman (swadelman@haverford.edu), Cerise Yau (cyau@haverford.edu)

Queer + Trans People of Color (QTPOC) At Haverford and beyond, it can be difficult for queer and trans people of color to find communities that are safe for them. Being a queer and/or trans person of color means being marginalized as queer people in heteronormative spaces of color, and being marginalized as people of color in queer spaces. QTPOC hence endeavors to create solidarity and support between queer and trans people of color on Haverford's campus. Contact(s): Lauryn White '21 (lwhite@haverford.edu), Gabriel Cruz-Navas '21 (gcruz@haverford.edu)

**Queer Discussion Group (QDG)** QDG is a safe space for questioning, gay, lesbian, bisexual, trans\* and other queer Haverford students. We keep our membership and meetings confidential to maintain a supportive environment and open conversation. **Contact(s):** haverfordqdg@gmail.com

**QuestBridge Scholars Network** The Haverford College QSN strives to make connections between QuestBridge Scholars at Haverford so that they can bond with individuals who come from similar backgrounds. We try to hold events that are helpful for low-income, first-generation college students. **Contact(s):** Bilikisu Hanidu '23 (bhanidu@haverford.edu)

**South Asian Society (SAS)** We host cultural dinners every semester when the community gets together and cooks south Asian food and celebrates culture. We also organize parties, movie trips and workshops. Every fall we host an Eid/Diwali celebration and in the spring we organize a Holi celebration during Haverfest. We aim to support the South Asian community at Haverford in anyway that our members need. **Contact(s):** Shoaib Shamsi '21 <a href="mailto:sshamsi@haverford.edu">sshamsi@haverford.edu</a>

## **ACADEMIC RESOURCES**

Office of Academic Resources (OAR) The Office of Academic Resources (OAR) offers students an array of services designed to enhance their academic potential and supplement the many academic and

enrichment opportunities already available to them through their coursework and research at Haverford College. *Contact(s):* hc-oar@haverford.edu

*Instructional Technology Center (ITC)* The Instructional Technology Center (ITC) is located at Stokes 205 and provides students, faculty and staff with a space to work on various projects. The Center is equipped with multimedia equipment and software, and staffed with professional personnel. *Contact(s):* prodesk@haverford.edu

*Writing Center* Open to anyone who needs help with a paper or oral presentation, in any discipline or course, at any stage of the writing process; help is also available to students working on applications of various types. *Contact(s):* Kristin Lindgren (klindgre@haverford.edu)

## **HEALTH RESOURCES**

Active Minds at Haverford Active Minds is a national nonprofit focused on mental health advocacy and suicide prevention. Active Minds at Haverford exists to help students raise awareness, provide resources, and start conversations about mental health on campus and nationally. Contact(s): Charlotte Scott '21 (cascott@haverford.edu)

**Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)** CAPS staff has extensive experience talking with students about a broad range of developmental, emotional and social concerns, which impact their experiences at Haverford. **Contact(s):** hc-caps@haverford.edu

**Health Services** Health Services provides health promotion, education, and medical care to all registered students who have completed their medical records forms. **Contact(s):** he-healthservices@haverford.edu

*HaverMinds* HaverMinds is a casual space that facilitates discussion about issues surrounding mental health, provides an opportunity to come share your thoughts and feelings about stigmatized topics, and serves as a way to meet people who also care about mental health at Haverford and beyond! *Contact(s):* haverfordminds@gmail.com

**GRASE** The Center for Gender Resources and Sexual Education (GRASE) advances community and wellbeing through gender equity, diversity, and inclusion by providing resources, education, and co-curricular programming at Haverford College. **Student Contact(s):**, Taliyah Evans '24 taevans@haverford.edu, Rubi Rivas '23 rrivas@haverford.edu, Emma Schwartz '24 emschwartz@haverford.edu

*HaverHealth* The Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) was a student run organization founded in the spring of 1984 with the aid of Student Council. In the past few years, the mission of SHAC has expanded to include physical wellness, emotional well-being, and inclusive health practices. This

expansion led to the creation of the HaverHealth Committee. Committee members provide crucial feedback to CAPS, Athletics and Health Services, coupled with concrete programming and resources aimed at individual, cohort and institutional levels. <i>Contact(s)</i> Dean Kelly Wilcox <a href="mailto:kwilcox@haverford.edu">kwilcox@haverford.edu</a>